OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBERS FOR BANGALORE CITY FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 1945.

A Fall of Two Points.

The cost of Living Index Number for March 1945, works out to 196·0 which is lower than the previous month's figure by 2·0 points.

As compared with the figures of the previous month, the Food Index decreased by 3·7 points to 235·0 owing to a fall in the prices of Rice, Avare, Dhal Jaggery, Onions, Gingelly Oil, Groundnut Oil, Salt, Tamarind and Garlic. The index number of the Fuel and Lighting group advanced by 0·4 points to 202·4 on account of the increase of the price of Castor oil.

The Index numbers for clothing, home rent and miscellaneous groups remained constant.

(Average prices from July 1935 to June 1936—100.)

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	February 1945	March 1945	Index Numbers: February 1945	March 1945
			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Food—							
Raw Rice	... Seer	14·0	0 2 2	0 4 11	0 4 8	227	215
Boiled Rice	... ,,	22·6	0 2 3	0 4 11	0 4 8	218	207
Ragi	... ,,	6·6	0 1 1	0 2 8	0 2 8	246	246
Blackgram Dhal	... ,,	0·7	0 3 1	0 9 2	0 9 2	297	297
Tur Dhal	... ,,	3·4	0 2 8	0 7 3	0 7 8	272	287
Bengalgram Dhal	... ,,	1·4	0 2 11	0 6 3	0 6 5	214	220
Avare Dhal	... ,,	0·6	0 2 7	0 7 11	0 7 10	306	303
Green Gram	... ,,	1·2	0 2 0	0 7 1	0 7 1	354	354
Sugar	... ,,	1·9	0 1 4	0 2 3	0 2 3	169	169
Jaggery	... Viss	1·9	0 3 6	0 8 3	0 7 1	236	202
Coffee seeds	... Seer	1·4	0 3 11	0 12 9	0 13 2	325	336
Meat (weight)	... 2 lbs.	7·2	0 7 0	1 8 0	1 8 0	343	343
Curds	... Seer	1·9	0 1 7	0 4 0	0 4 0	253	253
Milk	... ,,	6·1	0 3 7	0 6 5	0 6 5	179	179
Ghee	... ,,	2·7	0 6 0	1 1 1	1 3 1	285	318
Onions	... Viss	1·0	0 1 3	0 5 7	0 4 11	447	393
Vegetables	... ,,	5·6	0 2 6	0 8 0	0 8 0	320	320
Fruits	...One Doz.	0·9	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 4 0	150	200
Gingelly oil	... Seer	2·5	0 2 0	0 4 10	0 4 7	242	229
Groundnut oil	... ,,	0·4	0 1 8	0 4 2	0 4 0	250	240
Salt	... ,,	1·1	0 1 3	0 1 10	0 1 9	147	140
Cocoanut	... Each	1·0	0 1 0	0 2 0	0 2 2	200	217
Tamarind	... Viss	0·9	0 3 3	0 9 5	0 8 4	290	256
Chillies	... ,,	2·0	0 7 4	1 8 1	1 10 1	328	356
Coriander	... Seer	1·3	0 1 5	0 5 1	0 5 6	359	388
Garlic	... ,,	0·7	0 2 0	0 9 9	0 7 8	487	383
Wheat Flour	...	1·4	0 4 10	0 4 10	0 4 10	100	100
Soji	...	1·3	0 4 6	0 4 6	0 4 6	100	100
Ready made coffee	...	6·3	1 5 7	1 5 7	1 5 7	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
All Food—Index Number of all Food Articles			...	...	...	238·7	235·0
Fuel and Lighting—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Firewood	... Maund	72·0	0 2 6	0 4 11	0 4 11	197	197
Castor Oil	... Seer ...	7·7	0 1 11	0 4 8	0 4 9	243	248
Kerosene Oil	... Bottle	16·0	0 2 1	0 4 0	0 4 0	192	192
Match	... Box of 40 sticks.	4·3	0 0 2	0 0 5	0 0 5	250	250
Total	... ...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Clothing—	Index Number—Fuel and Lighting					202·0	202·4
Dhoties	Pair of 8 yards.	14·6	2 0 9	4 6 2	4 6 2	214	214
Coating	... Per Yard	22·5	0 5 6	0 13 5	0 13 5	244	244
Shirting	... ,,	21·5	0 4 0	0 8 10	0 8 10	221	221
Cloth for Pyjamas	,,	3·0	0 4 0	0 10 11	0 10 11	273	273
Sarees	... Each	22·4	3 0 0	5 10 0	5 10 0	188	188
Cloth for Jackets	Yard	16·0	0 5 0	0 11 6	0 11 6	230	230
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
House rent—	Index Number—Clothing					220·6	220·6
House rent	...	100·0	2 10 3	2 10 3	2 10 3	100	100
	Total ...	100·0					
Miscellaneous—	Index Number—House rent					100	100
Shaving	...	13·0	0 9 6	0 9 6	0 9 6	100	100
Washing soap	...	17·5	0 4 8	0 4 8	0 4 8	100	100
Supari	...	8·4	0 6 3	0 6 3	0 6 3	100	100
Beedi	...	11·2	0 6 9	0 6 9	0 6 9	100	100
Amusements	...	8·4	0 6 2	0 6 2	0 6 2	100	100
Education	...	5·0	0 3 8	0 3 8	0 3 8	100	100
Medicine	...	8·3	0 6 1	0 6 1	0 6 1	100	100
Flowers	...	5·7	0 4 3	0 4 3	0 4 3	100	100
Household Necessaries		22·5	1 0 8	1 0 8	1 0 8	100	100
Total		100·0	...	...	...	...	...
	Index Number—Miscellaneous					100	100

Group	Weight proportional to the total expenditure	Group Index Numbers: February 1945	March 1945
Food	53·5	238·7	235·0
Fuel and Lighting	7·0	202·0	202·4
Clothing	13·8	220·6	220·6
House Rent	6·4	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	19·3	100·0	100·0
Total ...	100·0	...	...
Cost of Living Index Number ...	...	198·0	196·0

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WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBER FOR K. G. F. AREA FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 1945. A FALL OF ONE POINT.

The cost of Living Index Number for Kolar Gold Fields Area for the month of March 1945, works up to 212·0 which is lower by 1·2 points than that for the previous month.

As compared with the figures of the previous month, the Food Index declined by 2·7 points to 233·1 on account of a fall in the prices of Rice, Juggery, Coffee seeds, Onions, Ghee, Gingelly oil, Groundnut oil, Tamarind and garlic. The index number for the Fuel and Lighting groups advanced by 10·8 points to 221·4 due to an increase in the prices of fuel.

The Index Numbers for the Clothing, House rent and Miscellaneous groups remained stationary. (Average prices from July 1935 to June 1936—100).

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	February 1945	March 1945	Index Numbers: February 1945	March 1945
Food—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Raw Rice	... Seer	3·5	0 2 0	0 4 11	0 4 8	213	233
Boiled Rice	... ,,	36·9	0 2 1	0 4 11	0 4 8	216	224
Ragi	... ,,	11·1	0 0 11	0 2 8	0 2 8	291	291
Blackgram Dhal	... ,,	0·4	0 2 11	0 9 0	0 9 0	308	308
Tur Dhal	... ,,	4·2	0 2 8	0 6 8	0 6 10	250	256
Bengalgram Dhal	... ,,	0·8	0 1 11	0 6 7	0 6 9	343	352
Avare Dhal	... ,,	0·6	0 2 1	0 6 11	0 7 1	332	336
Greengram	... ,,	0·6	0 1 11	0 6 11	0 6 11	361	361
Sugar	... ,,	0·5	0 1 4	0 2 3	0 2 3	169	169
Jaggery	... Viss	2·8	0 3 3	0 7 3	0 6 11	223	213
Coffee seeds	... Seer	1·8	0 4 0	0 10 6	0 10 1	260	252
Fish	... ,,	2·1	0 3 6	0 5 0	0 5 6	145	157
Meat	... 2 lbs wt.	9·0	0 8 0	0 4 0	1 4 0	250	250
Milk	... Seer	2·8	0 3 3	0 4 0	0 4 0	123	123
Curds	... ,,	0·6	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	100	100
Onions	... Viss	0·8	0 1 4	0 5 11	0 5 6	444	412
Ghee	... Seer	1·1	0 6 0	0 10 6	0 10 0	175	167
Gingelly oil	... ,,	3·2	0 2 0	0 5 9	0 5 7	287	279
Cocoanut	... Each	0·8	0 1 2	0 1 10	0 2 0	157	171
Groundnut oil	... Seer	0·6	0 1 7	0 3 11	0 3 4	217	210
Salt	... ,,	1·3	0 1 2	0 2 0	0 2 0	171	171
Chillies	... Viss	4·0	0 7 8	1 9 5	1 14 7	331	399
Tamarind	... ,,	1·4	0 2 7	0 6 6	0 6 5	252	238
Coriander	... Seer	1·2	0 1 4	0 5 2	0 5 6	387	412
Garlic	... ,,	0·6	0 2 0	0 8 7	0 7 6	429	375
Soji	... ,,	0·3	0 1 2	0 1 2	0 1 2	100	100
Vegetables	... ,,	3·8	0 12 4	0 12 4	0 12 4	100	100
Readymade coffee	...	3·2	0 12 3	0 12 3	0 12 3	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Numbers—All food articles		...	...	...	...	238·8	236·1
Fuel and Lighting.—							
Firewood	... Maund	75·1	0 2 0	0 4 3	0 4 7	212	229
Castor Oil	... Seer	7·8	0 2 3	0 6 7	0 6 0	293	267
Kerosene Oil	... Bottle	12·1	0 2 3	0 3 9	0 3 9	167	167
Matches	... Box of 40 sticks	5·0	0 0 5	0 0 5	0 0 5	167	167
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index No.—Fuel and Lighting	...	...	...	...	...	210·6	221·4

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	February 1945	March 1945	Index numbers: February 1945	March 1945
Clothing—			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Dhoties	... Pair of 8 yds.	9·3	2 1 0	4 6 2	4 6 2	213	213
Cloth for Pyjamas, etc.	Yard	1·7	0 4 4	0 10 11	0 10 11	252	252
Coating	.... ,,	20·4	0 6 5	0 13 5	0 13 5	209	209
Shirting	... ,,	14·7	0 5 0	0 8 10	0 8 10	177	177
Sarees	... Each	39·4	3 3 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	157	157
Cloth for Jackets etc.	Yard	14·5	0 5 3	0 12 0	0 12 0	229	229
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number—Clothing	...	...	...	...	...	187·8	187·8
House rent	... ...	100·0	0 10 9	0 10 9	0 10 9	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Numbers—House rent	...	...	...	...	...	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous—							
Barber	... ...	14·5	0 9 1	0 9 1	0 9 1	100	100
Soap for washing	... ...	20·0	0 12 6	0 12 6	0 12 6	100	100
Soapnut powder	... ...	5·2	0 3 3	0 3 3	0 3 3	100	100
Supari	... ...	14·1	0 8 10	0 8 10	0 8 10	100	100
Beedies	... ...	15·7	0 9 10	0 9 10	0 9 10	100	100
Travelling expenses	...	6·7	0 4 2	0 4 2	0 4 2	100	100
Flowers	... ...	3·9	0 2 5	0 2 5	0 2 5	100	100
Amusements	....	8·1	0 5 1	0 5 1	0 5 1	100	100
Charges for grinding	...	6·1	0 3 10	0 3 10	0 3 10	100	100
Bedding and household necessaries		5·7	0 3 6	0 3 6	0 3 6	100	100
Total	...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Numbers—Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	100	100

Groups	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Index Numbers: February 1945	March 1945
Food	70·9	238·8	236·1
Fuel and Lighting	6·2	210·6	221·4
Clothing	9·1	187·8	187·8
House Rent	2·1	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	11·7	100·0	100·0
Total ...	100·0	...	...
Cost of Living Index Numbers...	...	213·2	212·0

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